## LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8065	DATE PREPARED: Jan 17, 2001
BILL NUMBER: SB 468	<b>BILL AMENDED:</b>

**SUBJECT:** Reporting of impaired health practitioners.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Pending

DEDICATED FEDERAL

Summary of Legislation: Requires a health care practitioner who has reason to believe that another practitioner has abused alcohol or other drugs to make a report to certain entities. Requires an entity that receives a report regarding alcohol or drug abuse by a practitioner to: (1) contact the practitioner and encourage the practitioner to enroll in a voluntary drug or alcohol treatment program; and (2) report the practitioner to the board that regulates the practitioner's profession if the practitioner refuses to enter or fails to successfully complete a voluntary treatment program. Requires the board that regulates the profession of a practitioner who has refused to enter or failed to successfully complete a voluntary treatment program to conduct an investigation to determine if the practitioner is subject to disciplinary action. Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability for a practitioner who makes a report in good faith of suspected drug or alcohol abuse by another practitioner.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** 

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** 

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** 

**State Agencies Affected:** 

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

**Information Sources:** 

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